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MILLEDGEVILLE, GA. -- MRS. BARBARA POWERS SAYS HER CONVICTED U-2

SPY PILOT HUSBAND, FRANCIS GARY POWERS, WILL APPLY FOR HIS RELEASE FROM A RUSSIAN PRISON WITHIN THREE MONTHS ALTHOUGH "THAT'S NO GUARANTEE HE'LL GET IT."

MRS. POWERS SAID YESTERDAY AT HER HOME HERE THAT HER HUSBAND MAY BE ALLOWED TO TRANSFER TO A WORK CAMP "OR HE MAY HAVE TO STAY IN PRISON."

MRS. POWERS SAID THAT PRISONERS IN RUSSIA SERVING TERMS OF LESS THAN 10 YEARS MAY APPLY FOR RELEASE OR TRANSFER TO A PRISON CAMP AFTER 18 MONTHS.

SHE SAID SHE RECEIVES TWO LETTERS A MONTH FROM HER HUSBAND AND SHE SAID HE HAS INDICATED HE WILL APPLY FOR TRANSFER.

MRS. POWERS SAID IF HER HUSBAND IS SWITCHED TO A LABOR CAMP SHE WILL GO TO RUSSIA AND STAY WITH HIM AT THE COLONY. "I LOVE MY HUSBAND VERY MUCH AND I WANT TO SPEND EVERY MINUTE WITH HIM I CAN."

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